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SUBJECT: DEPUTY SECRETARY TO ANNOUNCE USG PROPOSAL ON
CORRUPT PRACTICES

REF: STATE 054193

LIMA: PASS RICHARD J. SMITH

1. FOLLOWING IS STATEMENT DEPT. SPOKESMAN WILL MAKE AT
1 PM MARCH 5 REGARDING INGERSOLL TESTIMONY BEFORE PROX-
MIRE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRIORITIES AND ECONOMIES IN GOVERNMENT
OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE ON FRIDAY, MARCH 5 AT 3:00 PM.

2. BEGIN TEXT: I HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE TODAY ON
THE FOREIGN PAYMENTS PROBLEM AND ON THE LOCKHEED CASE.
DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL WILL BE TESTIFYING THIS AFTER-
NOON BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRIORITIES AND ECONOMIES
IN GOVERNMENT OF THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY
SENATOR PROXMIRE. I HAVE AVAILABLE COPIES OF MR.
INGERSOLL'S STATEMENT WHICH IS EMBARGOED UNTIL THREE
O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON.

3. IN THAT STATEMENT DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL WILL
REITERATE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONDEMNATION OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS

BY U.S. NATIONALS ABROAD AND WILL DESCRIBE TWO SIGNIFI-
CANT INITIATIVES BEING TAKEN BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERN-
MENT IN THIS FIELD.

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4. FIRST, THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO
PROPOSE A MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK
FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO COPE WITH CORRUPT PRAC-
TICES BY ENTERPRISES, AGENTS AND OFFICIALS. WE BELIEVE
THIS IS AN INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM THAT REQUIRES AN INTER-
NATIONAL SOLUTION. THE INITIATIVE WILL BE MADE AT THE
UNITED NATIONS PERMANENT COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL
CORPORATIONS WHICH IS NOW MEETING IN LIMA. OUR OBJECTIVES

IN MAKING THIS INITIATIVE AND THE PRINCIPLES WHICH WE THINK SHOULD BE ENCOMPASSED IN SUCH AN AGREEMENT ARE EXPLAINED IN THE STATEMENT. THE AGREEMENT WOULD FOCUS ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AND WOULD ENVISION UNIFORM PROVISIONS FOR DISCLOSURE OF PAYMENTS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH COVERED TRANSACTIONS.

5. SECOND, DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL WILL DESCRIBE THE ARRANGEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ON THE LOCKHEED CASE. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED FULL COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AFFECTED BY THESE DISCLOSURES. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT HAVE THE CORPORATE DOCUMENTS IN QUESTION. OVER THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS WE HAVE BEEN CONSULTING URGENTLY WITH THE INTERESTED AGENCIES TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE ACCEPTABLE TO THEM. UNDER THIS PROCEDURE THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED TO ENTER INTO ARRANGEMENTS, ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AS A WHOLE, WITH THE RESPONSIBLE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS WITH WHICH SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. IT WILL ARRANGE FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TRADITIONAL PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SUCH CASES TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS AND THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS.

6. FINALLY, I SHOULD LIKE TO STATE THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS THAT SERIOUS DAMAGE HAS BEEN DONE TO THE FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES BY RECENT DISCLOSURES OF UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS AGAINST FOREIGN OFFICIALS. KISSINGER

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